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March 18, 2008

Mr. David A. Brockman, Manager Richland Operations Office United States Department of Energy P.O. Box 550, MSIN: A7-50 Richland, Washington 99352

Re: Hanford Site Asbestos Landfill

Dear Mr. Brockman:

Our letter of December 4, 2007 (Reference 1, below), directed repair of cover soil for the 600 Area asbestos waste disposal trenches in order to maintain compliance with asbestos disposal standards of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations §61.151(a)(3). You responded with a letter of March 3, 2008 (Reference 2, below), wherein you requested an extension of time to conduct your cover soil repair. Ecology approves your request of the 180-day extension until November 27, 2008, for you to complete your cover soil repairs and advise Ecology of that completion.

In approving your extension, we accept your justifications regarding cultural, ecological, and migratory bird nesting issues, as well as your efforts to ensure that you repair the cover most effectively and safely. Your interim actions of bi-weekly Solid Waste Landfill inspection and as-needed localized additions of soil are acceptable assurance that asbestos waste will not become exposed.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 509-372-7983.

Sincerely,

Doug Hendrickson, P.E.

Lead Air Engineer

Nuclear Waste Program

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References:

1. Ecology letter dated December 4, 2007, from D. Hendrickson, Ecology, to D. A. Brockman, USDOE, Department of Ecology 2007 Hanford Air Operating Permit Inspections.

2. USDOE-RL Letter 08-AMCP-0122, March 3, 2008, from D. A. Brockman, USDOE, to 0076439 J.A. Hedges, Ecology, Cover Soil Subsidence Repairs at the 600 Area Asbestos Waste Disposal Trenches,.

Cliff Clark, USDOE cc: Mary Jarvis, USDOE Tom Beam, FH Jon Perry, FH Joel Williams, FH David Lauer, BCAA Stuart Harris, CTUIR Gabriel Bohnee, NPT Russell Jim, YN Susan Leckband, HAB Ken Niles, ODOE

Administrative Record: Air Operating Permit

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